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House Resolution No. 2031

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives of Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Fern McCoy of Bolivar will celebrate her Ninetieth Birthday on April 25, 2004, with a gathering of relatives, friends, neighbors, and other well-wishers at the Hickory County Senior Center in Wheatland; and

Whereas, Fern McCoy was born on April 22, 1914, into the family of George and Tenni Ferguson who lived one mile west of Nemo; and

Whereas, after a wonderful childhood filled with all manner of educational and rewarding experiences, Fern married her beloved Joe McCoy and enjoyed a loving, thirty-seven-year-long relationship from 1935 until his passing in 1972; and

Whereas, Fern McCoy has been blessed with the love and affection of a son, Harold Lee McCoy; a daughter, Joe Anna McCoy, now deceased; and a grandson, Thomas McCoy; and

Whereas, a farmer's wife who raised cattle, Fern McCoy was also employed by the West Central Missouri Rural Development Corporation of Appleton City where she assisted low-income families with housing, helped children in Head Start, and performed other social work services throughout Hickory County; and

Whereas, Fern McCoy is a member of Cross Timbers Baptist Church where she is known for making beautiful quilts, gardening with flowers and blooming trees, and traveling to Alaska and Hawaii:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive life of Fern McCoy and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon attaining the special status of nonagenarian and our best wishes for many more celebratory events to come in life; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Fern McCoy of Bolivar, Missouri.

Offered by
Representative Larry D. Wilson
District No. 119
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2031, adopted April 22, 2004.